

4-1.3 DECISION NO. D-31

LEAD-BASED PAINT GUIDELINE

Issue:

Guidelines are needed to provide technical information on how to control potentially hazardous conditions in Indian Health Service (IHS) health care facilities and quarters caused by lead-based paint to meet Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements. This information is focused on minimizing exposure to LBP from two perspectives: that of an occupant of government quarters and that of an employee of IHS working in a government facility. The intent is to assist facility management, real property, environmental health, and other staff in complying with the regulations of the EPA, OSHA, and the Department of Housing and Urban Development pertaining to exposure to LBP.

Decision:

The Health Facilities Advisory Committee (HFAC) reviewed and approved the final draft of the "Lead-based Paint Guideline" dated July 9, 1997, subject to editorial revisions. The final chapter will be submitted for approval to the Director of the Division of Facilities and Environmental Engineering (DFEE). Effective immediately, this guide will apply to all existing IHS health care facilities and quarters.

Reference:

Copies of the final draft can be obtained from the DFEE. The approved chapter will be issued as Chapter 11 1-2 Lead-Based Paint Guide, Part 111, Volume VIII of the Technical Handbook for Environmental Health and Engineering. The IHS document titled "Guidelines for Maintenance of IHS-Owned Facilities / Lead-Based Paint Hazards: Testing, Treatment, and Control dated July 1997 (Final Draft)" will be included in the Technical Handbook as reference material.

Adopted by HFAC on July 9, 1997.

Kenneth R. Harper, P.E.
Chairman, HFAC